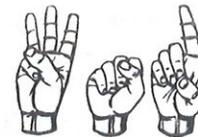




# Between Us...



...a monthly communication newsletter with and for our parents.

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## Dates Of Special Interest

### May

- 1 Students return PM
- 6 Student departure day
- 7 **Special Olympics Track**



### Prom

- 8 Students return PM
- 13 Student departure day
- 15 Students return PM
- 20 Student departure day
- 22 Students return PM
- 27 Student departure day
- 30 Memorial Day**
- Students return PM**

### June

- 3 Student departure day
- 5 Students return PM
- 9-11 Special Olympics State Track Meet
- 9 9:00 AM Elementary Awards
- 1:00 PM High School Awards
- 5:00 PM Senior Picnic and Graduation Speaker Reception
- 10 End of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- 9:00 AM Middle School Awards
- 1:00 PM High School Graduation
- Student departure day



## Message from the Director

Alex H. Slappey



Extra-curricular Activities  
The Importance of Achievement

WSD certainly has much to be proud of this year. The Firebirds have realized an unprecedented period of athletic success the last few years capped by a third straight Deaf Prep 8 Man Football National Championship. This year also marks the second time in the last three years that the team has been chosen the team of the year.

As if this wasn't recognition enough the Boys Basketball Team went 20-1 and was named the Division 2 Deaf Prep National Basketball Champions.

When I go into the Neesam Gymnasium, I see the wall filled with WSD's championship banners and I always get a sense of pride. In the library I can see the trophies and plaques brought back by our Academic Bowl teams. Annually our Yearbook is second to none. Certainly WSD is more than its extra-curricular program and I'm equally proud of the overall accomplishments of the entire program.

Sometimes I hear gripping in the background about too much focus on extra-curricular activities, but I reject that. For one thing WSD is and always has been about the development of the whole child. It takes more than just academics to developing a confident and capable graduate. This is one of WSD's great strengths.

BETWEEN US...This is a newsletter for parents of the students of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf. Approximately seven issues are planned for the 2010-2011 school year. Parents are invited to send newsworthy items to the school office.

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"For what is the best choice,  
for each individual it is the highest  
it is possible for him to achieve."

*Aristotle*

Hearing children in public schools get their whole child development from a variety of after school sources, some affiliated with the public schools such as school teams and others affiliated with outside opportunities.

Often deaf and hard of hearing children miss out on those whole child development opportunities primarily because of language barriers. This is not an issue at WSD where all our after school activities are provided by staff fluent in sign language.

The opportunities that WSD provides our students are the structures by which they develop a strong sense of self esteem and confidence. They learn leadership skills and the value of teamwork. The value of hard work and personal responsibility are learned in both, the classroom and on the playing fields. These are skills and traits that every employer wants in their employees.

Research has shown that extra-curricular activities improve student academic performance, result in better attendance and drop-out rates, foster motivation, result in better behavior, and improve literacy skills. Schools with robust extra-curricular programs tend to be schools that exhibit strong performance across all areas.

While many public schools do have strong extra-curricular programs the ability of deaf and hard of hearing children to take full advantage of those opportunities is not equal to what the student has at WSD. There is something special about everyone using the same language and having the same level playing field. It makes for special opportunities at WSD.

With a participation rate of over 85% the students at WSD clearly take advantage of their opportunities.

## WSD Birthdays



### May

|    |                    |
|----|--------------------|
| 7  | Travis Waala       |
| 12 | Tyler Burkhardt    |
| 14 | Markiese Mims      |
| 15 | Bradley Persson    |
| 16 | Anna McCartney     |
| 18 | Alexander Kubiske  |
| 28 | Julian Chairez, Jr |

### June

|    |                                  |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 1  | Tony Davis, Jr.                  |
| 2  | Tanner Evans                     |
| 4  | Christopher Sweeney              |
| 7  | Mia Eldred                       |
| 10 | Malia Christenson                |
| 13 | Anthony Lange                    |
| 15 | Darion Henderson                 |
| 24 | Heather Besaw-Benz               |
| 26 | Elijah Needs                     |
| 27 | Ruth James<br>Thomas Carroll, Jr |
| 28 | Joshua Ernst                     |

## Upcoming Special Olympics Track & Field Events!

- May 7th Area Meet at Racine JI Case High School starting time 8:30 AM
- May 18th Wednesday Mini Meet vs. Lakeland School at WSD starting time 9:00 AM
- June 9th, 10th, 11th State Games, UW-Stevens Point TBA

**High School Boys and Girls:**

The track season just began on March 8 with 21 boys and 5 girls on the teams. Boys' Track coaches are Steven Fuerst and Mike Eldred while Girls' Track coaches are Therese Pohl-Markowitz and Karla Gunn.

**Middle School Boys and Girls:**

Middle School Boys and Girls began track practice on March 29. Practice is scheduled from 3:30-5:00 pm on Mon-Thurs. Their coaches are Steven Williams (Girls') and Zuhair Alsaegh (Boys').

**Winter Awards Program:**

We had a wonderful Winter Sports Award program two weeks ago and recognized students in individual awards, "W" letters, and participation. Special Thanks to Deanna Wanninger for designing a nice program book and a power point presentation.

**National Deaf Prep  
Basketball Division II  
Player of the Year  
Jose Castillo - Guard**

**Boys' Basketball Team of the Year 2010-2011  
WSD Firebirds**

**Basketball All-Americans**  
Jose Castillo – 1<sup>st</sup> Team  
Tony Davis – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

**Basketball All-Conference**  
Jose Castillo - 1st Team  
Tony Davis – 1<sup>st</sup> Team  
Cody Gannon – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team  
Travis Waala – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team  
Maydee Vande Hey 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

**Girls' Basketball Awards:**  
Maydee Vande Hey – Best All-Around  
Anna Dorst –Coaches Award  
Amanda Feliciano – Most Improved

**Boys' Basketball Awards:**  
Jose Castillo – Best All-Around  
Travis Waala –Coaches Award  
Cody Gannon – Most Improved

**Cheerleader Awards:**  
Veronica Duran – Most Improved  
Olivia Percifield – Spirit Award

**Special Olympics – Basketball Awards:**

Alvin Horton – Spirit Award  
Anthony Jacoby – Most Improved  
Chas Moritz – Coaches Award

**WISCONSIN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF  
2011**

**BOYS AND GIRLS  
VARSITY TRACK SCHEDULE**

|                 |                    |                                   |                 |                |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>March 7</b>     | <b>Practice begins</b>            |                 |                |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>March 29</b>    | <b>Clinton</b>                    | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>April 5</b>     | <b>Elkhorn Triangular</b>         | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>April 7</b>     | <b>Cambridge Invitational</b>     | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:00 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>April 12</b>    | <b>DDHS</b>                       | <b>Away</b>     | <b>3:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Fri-Sat</b>  | <b>April 15-16</b> | <b>Berg-Seeger Classic</b>        | <b>Indiana</b>  | <b>TBA</b>     |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>April 18</b>    | <b>Deerfield Invitational</b>     | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>April 26</b>    | <b>Palmyra-Eagle</b>              | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Saturday</b> | <b>April 30</b>    | <b>GPSD</b>                       | <b>Oklahoma</b> | <b>TBA</b>     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>May 3</b>       | <b>ITC Track Meet @ DDHS</b>      | <b>Home</b>     | <b>4:00 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>May 12</b>      | <b>St. John Military</b>          | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:00 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>May 17</b>      | <b>Eastbrook Academy, Norris</b>  | <b>Home</b>     | <b>3:30 pm</b> |
|                 |                    | <b>Trinity Academy, DASH</b>      |                 |                |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>May 23</b>      | <b>WIAA – Cambridge Regional</b>  | <b>Away</b>     | <b>4:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>May 26</b>      | <b>WIAA – Princeton Sectional</b> | <b>Away</b>     | <b>3:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Fri/Sat</b>  | <b>June 3/4</b>    | <b>WIAA – State @ La Crosse</b>   | <b>Away</b>     | <b>TBA</b>     |



Congratulations!

Out of 187 athletes, both fine athletes were selected by USADTF (USA Deaf Track and Field) Committee to receive one of six Best Athlete Awards (3 for girls, 3 for boys) @ Berg / Seeger Track & Field Classic.

Amanda Feliciano – Berg/Seeger TF Classic Best Field Athlete Award  
Taylor Koss – Berg/Seeger TF Classic Best All-Around Athlete Award

**Full results of the 4<sup>th</sup> Berg/Seeger Track & Field Classic are in!**  
<http://www.usadtf.org/pdf/2011-BS-Results.pdf>

**WISCONSIN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF  
GIRLS AND BOYS  
MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK SCHEDULE  
2011**

|                 |                 |                                 |             |                |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>March 29</b> | <b>Practice begins</b>          |             |                |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>April 18</b> | <b>Delavan Christian/Norris</b> | <b>Home</b> | <b>3:30 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>April 28</b> | <b>Delavan - Phoenix</b>        | <b>Away</b> | <b>4:00 pm</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>May 2</b>    | <b>Watertown</b>                | <b>Away</b> | <b>4:15 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>  | <b>May 3</b>    | <b>Mukwonago</b>                | <b>Away</b> | <b>3:45 pm</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>May 9</b>    | <b>Whitewater</b>               | <b>Away</b> | <b>3:45 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>May 12</b>   | <b>Fort Atkinson</b>            | <b>Away</b> | <b>4:00 pm</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>   | <b>May 16</b>   | <b>Elkhorn</b>                  | <b>Away</b> | <b>3:45 pm</b> |

## Special Olympic Basketball Athletes Advance

Three WSD Special Olympic skills athletes participated in the 2011 Area Tournament at Badger High School in Lake Geneva on February 27. There were 160 athletes from Southeastern Wisconsin competing in different age levels and divisions of ability. Chloe Goetsch won a close second place in Division 5 ages 8-15, Charly Fleege won a second place ribbon in Division 13 ages 16+, and Anthony Bole won third place in Division 4 ages 8-15. Athletes competed in three areas: Passing, dribbling, and shooting. While all three athletes qualify to go to state competition in April in OshKosh, WSD was awarded a quota of one.

Saturday, March 5 at Wilmot High School the WSD Smashing Firebirds Special Olympic Basketball team competed at area. Thirty-nine teams from Southeastern Wisconsin competed in ten divisions with division one being the highest level. The Firebirds were in Division 3. In their first game against the WKC Panthers the Firebirds were down five players and were caught by surprise with a quick lay-up by the Panthers. However WSD quickly got together and pulled ahead with two baskets by Brandaun Carter on one by Alvin Horton making it 7-4 at quarter. Defense remained tough and the Firebirds were only able to score one more basket by half-time by Shane Tisa making the score 9-6. However by second half the whole Smashing Firebirds team was intent on scoring and pulled ahead winning the game 24-16. Alvin led the scoring with 11 points followed by Anthony Jacoby with 6, Tisa with 4, Carter with 2, and Sarab Jeet Singh with a free throw.

The second game would not be as easy a victory against the Racine Hawks, a much older and experienced team. However with the arrival of wing guard, Kadedra Jackson to the team, the team faced its competitors with more aggression and determination. The Hawks' number 35 quickly got an edge scoring a three pointer and two baskets against the Firebirds; even with Shane's basket and Kadedra's two successful free throws the Firebirds were down at the quarter 4-7. However the Firebirds came back outscoring the Hawks and evened the score 10-10 at half. But taking too many defensive risks, the Smashing Firebirds fouled the Hawks allowing them to add free throw points putting WSD down 16-18 beginning the last quarter. The Firebirds tightened their defense against Racine allowing them to score only two points. With excellent rebounding from Sarab, Kadedra, and Shane, the Firebirds controlled the ball and scored 8 points winning the game by only 2 points: 22-20. Tisa scored 8, followed by Kadedra and Alvin each scoring 6, and Singh 2. The team will now advance to District at Pleasant Valley on March 20. Coaches were Karen DeFalco and Ron Corrigan.

## Silver Medals at State 2011

The Smashing Firebirds went to the State Special Olympic Basketball Tournament the weekend of April 9-10, 2011 and brought home a Silver Medal in Team Division 3 (out of 12 Divisions), a Silver Medal by Charly Fleege in BB Skills Division 10 age 16-29, and a 4<sup>th</sup> place by Chloe Goetsch in BB Skills Division 2 Ages 8-15.

The Smashing Firebirds faced some fierce competition in Division 3 the third highest Division out of 12. This year the competition used the Round Robin system. The Smashing Firebirds ended up in a three way tie for second place and the Firebirds came out ahead. They won their first game against the Manitowoc County Miracles 33-20 giving them a good start at the tournament. High Scorer was Shane Tisa with 17 points followed by Alvin Horton with 12 and Sarab Jeet Singh with 4.

Their second game was a greater challenge against the Janesville Swishers. The Firebirds had played and defeated the Swishers last year at Area tournament by only 2 points and the Swishers were out for revenge. At the end of the first quarter, WSD was down by one 4-5 with baskets by Horton and Tisa. However Alvin began having breathing difficulties and needed to be taken out for the next two quarter leaving Brandaun Carter and Kadedra to lead the team defensively. Shane continued to score along with Anthony Jacoby, but the score at the end of the third quarter was 16-20 with the Firebirds still behind. In the final quarter there was rally led by Horton as he came back with a quick steal and score. This fired up the team and more baskets were made by Anthony, Shane, and Kadedra leaving the Firebirds down by one in the last seconds of the game. However luck was not to be had by the Firebirds as one of the Swishers was fouled while shooting and making one of their free throws won the game 25-23. High scorer was Shane with 12 followed by Alvin with 6, Jacoby with 4 and Kadedra with 1. There were steals by both Chas Moritz and Nick Johnson and excellent rebounding by Singh.

On Sunday morning at 8:00 the Firebirds faced the Ozaukee County Eagles who had beat WSD at District and who had won both of their games so far at State including a game against Janesville by 30 points. The Eagles were a fast team and quickly scored 8 in the first quarter against a beautiful 3 pointer by Alvin. The second quarter Alvin scored another 3 pointer followed by a basket by Sarab Jeet Singh, but the Firebirds were still down by 5. The third quarter did not fare well for the Firebirds and they were still down 11-19 starting the last quarter. The Firebirds began a full court press and quickly scored 2 baskets by Tisa closing the gap. However the Eagles were not to be trifled with and they continued to score also. In the heat of the battle the Firebirds began to make fouls and both Jackson and Jacoby were fouled out. Even with another 3 pointer by Horton the Firebirds wound up losing 20 -30.

The Firebirds had expected to earn a bronze medal and were surprised to learn Janesville had lost their game against the Miracles leaving a three way tie for second. The Firebirds had the highest points earning the Silver. Manitowoc took the Bronze and Janesville took 4<sup>th</sup> place. Coaches were Karen DeFalco and Ron Corrigan.

# BOOK FAIR CARNIVAL

Your Ticket to Read!

Dear Parents and Families,

You are invited to our Scholastic Book Fair, a reading event packed with excitement for students and families.

Our theme – **Book Fair Carnival** – will make reading as entertaining as a carnival midway. The entire school community will delight in an exciting atmosphere of great books, thrilling stories, and fun. Readers of all ages will walk away from the Book Fair with the grandest prize of all: a lifelong love of reading!

The more a child reads, the stronger reader he or she becomes. Strong reading skills are essential to a child's success in school and life. Our Book Fair encourages this success by offering students access to great books at affordable prices. Children are more likely to read books they personally choose. The wide variety of choices offered at our Book Fair ensures that there will be something for everyone!

Please join us to make this Book Fair the BEST our school has ever seen. I look forward to seeing you at the Fair!

Fair Dates: 5/5/2010 – 5/13/2010 (online fair available starting April 25<sup>th</sup>)

Shopping Times: 7:30am – 4:30pm (and online 24 hours a day)

Fair Location: WSD Library – Pie Hall

Special Events: Photo Op – Carnival of Fun in the library May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Marla Walsh  
Principal



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# FACTS *for* FAMILIES

No. 4 (10/92)

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## THE DEPRESSED CHILD

Not only adults become depressed. Children and teenagers also may have depression as well. The good news is that depression is a treatable illness.

Depression is defined as an illness when the feelings of depression persist and interfere with a child or adolescent's ability to function.

About five percent of children and adolescents in the general population suffer from depression at any given point in time. Children under stress, who experience loss, or who have attentional, learning, conduct or anxiety disorders are at a higher risk for depression. Depression also tends to run in families.

The behavior of depressed children and teenagers may differ from the behavior of depressed adults. Child and adolescent psychiatrists advise parents to be aware of signs of depression in their youngsters.

If one or more of these signs of depression persist, parents should seek help:

- Frequent sadness, tearfulness, crying
- Decreased interest in activities; or inability to enjoy previously favorite activities
- Hopelessness
- Persistent boredom; low energy
- Social isolation, poor communication
- Low self esteem and guilt
- Extreme sensitivity to rejection or failure
- Increased irritability, anger, or hostility
- Difficulty with relationships
- Frequent complaints of physical illnesses such as headaches and stomachaches
- Frequent absences from school or poor performance in school
- Poor concentration
- A major change in eating and/or sleeping patterns
- Talk of or efforts to run away from home
- Thoughts or expressions of suicide or self destructive behavior

A child who used to play often with friends may now spend most of the time alone and without interests. Things that were once fun now bring little joy to the depressed child. Children and adolescents who are depressed may say they want to be dead or may talk about suicide. Depressed children and adolescents are at increased risk for committing suicide. Depressed adolescents may abuse alcohol or other drugs as a way of trying to feel better.

## The Depressed Child, "Facts for Families," No. 4 (5/08)

Children and adolescents who cause trouble at home or at school may also be suffering from depression. Because the youngster may not always seem sad, parents and teachers may not realize that troublesome behavior is a sign of depression. When asked directly, these children can sometimes state they are unhappy or sad.

Early diagnosis and treatment are essential for depressed children. Depression is a real illness that requires professional help. Comprehensive treatment often includes both individual and family therapy. For example, cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) and interpersonal psychotherapy (IPT) are forms of individual therapy shown to be effective in treating depression. Treatment may also include the use of antidepressant medication. For help, parents should ask their physician to refer them to a qualified mental health professional, who can diagnose and treat depression in children and teenagers.

Also see the following *Facts for Families*:

#8 Children and Grief

#10 Teen Suicide

#21 Psychiatric Medication for Children

#38 Bipolar Disorder in Teens, and

#86 Psychotherapies for Children and Adolescents.

See also: *Your Child* (1998 Harper Collins)/*Your Adolescent* (1999 Harper Collins).

For more information about medications used to treat childhood and adolescent depression, see: [www.parentsmedguide.org](http://www.parentsmedguide.org).

AACAP wishes to thank the Klingenstein Third Generation Foundation for support.

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You may also mail in your contribution. Please make checks payable to the AACAP and send to *Campaign for America's Kids*, P.O. Box 96106, Washington, DC 20090.

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This is an open letter to School Officials, Parents, Family members, Friends and Deaf Children/Youth-

Camp Mark 7's (CM7) mission is to promote and enhance each camper's growth through an array of education, leadership, recreational, and spiritual activities and programs for deaf, hard of hearing, and KODA individuals, their families, and the community. Diverse programs are offered for deaf, hearing children of deaf adults (KODA), and hearing individuals of all ages. CM7 is on a beautiful lakefront and provides endless hours of waterfront activities, and is surrounded by the beautiful Adirondack Mountains, where one can explore its beauty through nature walks and hiking.

Camp Mark 7 and The Z® set up a partnership to provide an opportunity to deaf, hard of hearing and hearing campers to win a free camper slot (the camper fee is \$1,100). You can watch the video, with open captions, for more information at: <http://tinyurl.com/45hkxbr>. Anyone can sign up online at: <http://tinyurl.com/cm7thez>.

After the winner for a camper slot is selected in late April, there will be an opportunity to win an iPod Touch (4<sup>th</sup> generation)! Anyone can continue to sign up throughout the summer, so CM7 and the Z® can draw three more potential winners to win the iPod Touch. The iPod Touch drawing will be held on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like someone to come to your school and meet with your students to explain CM7's wonderful programs as well as to sign-up for a free camper slot and/or iPod Touch, please contact us! We will be more than happy to send a representative to your school and/or community event before the end of the school year. CM7 and the Z's presentation will last no more than 40 minutes. Please share this information with all of our deaf, hard of hearing and hearing (KODA) children/youth, their friends, their family members and teachers/staff. Please feel free to announce the sign-up and video addresses on your newsletter, website, Facebook, Twitter, or post it on your community's bulletin board.

Check out all of CM7's exciting programs at: [www.campmark7.org](http://www.campmark7.org). If you'd like to download Z4 in onto your computer & Smartphone, please go to: <http://affiliate.zvrs.com/cludwig>. Should you have any questions, please contact one of us. We look forward to meeting you!

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Camp Mark Seven (CM7) is a lakefront recreational, educational, leadership and spiritual camp in the Adirondack Mountains of New York. Diverse summer programs are offered for deaf, hard-of-hearing, and KODA (hearing Kids of Deaf Adults) campers. Programs also include Bible Institute, Silent Week and Eldercamp. The facilities are used for retreats and conferences as well. CM7 is a subsidiary of Mark Seven Deaf Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501 C(3) tax-exempt organization. Contributions are always welcome.



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